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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

APPENDIX B

DATE 6/16/77

NAME ROBERT F. DECESAEE

(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 638 N. WISCONSIN

CITY VILLAGE PARK STATE ILL ZIP CODE 60181

DATE OF BIRTH 6/23/39 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 37 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION R.C. NATIONALITY IRISH/ENGLISH

OCCUPATION STATION AGENT, OZARK AIRLINES *

EDUCATION M.A.

WEIGHT 190 COLOR FAIR HEIGHT 5'11"

COLOR OF HAIR GRAY COLOR OF EYES BROWN

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS

MARRIED OR SINGLE ☒ MARRIED CHILDREN 1 BOY, 2/2 EDWARD

WIFE'S NAME SARILEY (Include, last, and names, if possible)

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT # E 2145 CITY VILLAGE PARK STATE ILLINOIS EA EA DATE JOINED 6/16/77 DATE RESIGNED

SPECIAL RECOGNITION NONE

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWUP

☐ CONVICTION OF CRIMINAL OFFENSE ☒ SUBSTANTIATED REPORTS
☐ OFFICIAL CHARGES OF CRIMINAL OFFENSE ☐ UNSUBSTANTIATED REPORTS

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND THIS INDIVIDUAL FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE AND LIST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

FORMER POLICE OFFICER
UNTIL RECENTLY, PAROCHIAL SCHOOL TEACHER, GIVES
UNSUBSTANTIATED REPORTS FOR TERMINATING

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JOSEPH L. ADAMS

WALTER H. HUNTER
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
ILLINOIS AREA COUNCIL

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September 2, 1977

Mr. Walter D. Johnson
Scout Executige
DuPage Area Council, No.148

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Robert F. DeCesare

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your letter of August 15, and the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on file. This information will help support and strengthen our action. We appreciate your efforts in this area.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

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WALTER D. JOHNSON
ON 712 Gary Avenue
Wheaton, Illinois 60187

August 15, 1977

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Subscription Service
Boy Scouts of America
North Brunswick, New Jersey, 08902

Dear Mr. Ernst:

In belated reply to your letter of June 30 regarding Robert F. DeCesare, while there is some indication that other boys may have been involved, we cannot substantiate the fact. We do not anticipate any legal action growing out of the situation.

Mr. DeCesare requested a review of his suspension of registration and in accordance, a review committee was appointed, chaired by Richard Hanneman, immediate council past-president, as per the provisions of Appendix C - Maintaining Standards of Leadership.


Mr. DeCesare arrived accompanied by an attorney, despite our suggestion not to do so. After much preliminary maneuvering DeCesare agreed to discuss the situation with the review committee. Under skillful questioning he all but admitted the essence of the accusations at which point his attorney advised him not to "testify" any further.

After a brief conference between DeCesare and his attorney, his resignation was offered in return for no further action on the part of the council.

Since the circumstances surrounding the situation were already on record with your department and the mother of [REDACTED] has no wish to pursue the matter beyond DeCesare's resignation and the assurance that he would not be allowed to serve in Scouting in the future, we accepted his resignation.

The matter would seem to be closed. I am forwarding his resignation and urge that he be kept on the confidential file.

Sincerely,


Walter D. Johnson
Scout Executive

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July 14, 1977

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Please accept my resignation
from the Boy Scouts of America.

Sincerely,
Robert F. DeCourcey

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June 30, 1977

Mr. Walter D. Johnson
Scout Executive
DuPage Area Council No. 148

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for the information which you sent us concerning Robert F. DeCesare. We appreciate this information.

We would like more information concerning this individual. - Has he been involved with any other youths to your knowledge? Have there been any charges made which will result in legal action?

It is most important to us that we have justification for refusing registration of an individual. Your last paragraph in which you write that, "DeCesare insists he has never seen the [REDACTED] boy alone in his home and there is no basis for the charges or our action", concerns me. As the matter now stands, it is the boy's word against his. This is the reason I ask you for any other information which you can give me, that would justify our refusal of registration.

I will hold the case until I hear from you, since all of our new cases must be reviewed with our in house attorney, before they are placed on our permanent file. I am sure he is going to want more information before we feel justified in refusing registration, wherever this individual may live.

In the meantime, you certainly have justification for refusing registration, since his ability as a leader has been impaired just by the situation as it now stands.

Let me know if we can be of help.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

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June 16, 1977

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Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Subscription Service
Boy Scouts of America
National Office
North Brunswick, New Jersey, 08902

Dear Mr. Ernst:

Please find attached copies of material regarding the suspension of registration of

Robert F. DeCesare
638 N. Wisconsin
Villa Park, Illinois, 60181
Explorer Advisor
Post 245, Brandywine Town House Association
Villa Park, Illinois, 60181

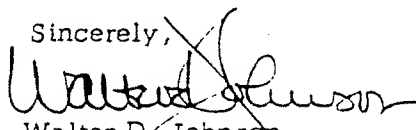
On Friday, June 10th, [REDACTED] at his mother's urging, took his story (see attached statement) to his former Scoutmaster who, in turn, reported it to me at noon the following Monday.

At my request his Scoutmaster obtained a written statement from [REDACTED], initialed and dated it and forwarded same to me. Our Explorer Executive shared our concern with the Sponsor Coordinator/Institutional Head.

DeCesare was unavailable until 10:00 A.M. today, when I called upon him alone, being unable to obtain a volunteer to accompany me at that hour on a working day, obtained the information on the enclosed confidential record sheet, presented DeCesare with standard letter of suspension and informed him of his right to review.

DeCesare insists he has never seen the [REDACTED] boy alone in his home and there is no basis for the charges or our action.

Sincerely,


Walter D. Johnson
Scout Executive

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June 14, 1977

Mr. Robert F. De Cesare
638 North Wisconsin
Villa Park, Illinois, 60181

Dear Mr. De Cesare:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA leadership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not measure up to the high standards of leadership which BSA seeks to provide for American youth. Please also understand that this decision and the reasons for it will be maintained as confidential.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed, please write to me, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA leader should be granted or reinstated.

Sincerely yours,

Walter D. Johnson
Scout Executive

WLJ/slb

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It was after a meeting for Explorers at Min DeCensen's house and he had asked me to stay after to compose a letter. He said that he would take me home after I wrote the letter. We didn't really do anything with the letter but we did have what he called a "work-out" he said it was as Karate exercise. He started beating on my stomach as I was lying on the floor. Not ~~real hard~~ so hard that it hurt but just hard enough to tighten the muscles.

Then he started to do it on my testicles, he said it would loosen them up in case I got kicked there. Then he layed down and expected me to do it to him. So I had to, I had no way home or anything and I was nervous so I did it. At first I just did it to his stomach then he told me to go down on to his testicles. Then the obvious followed. He came

in his pants. Then that was
the end of it.



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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

June 30, 1977

Mr. Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration and Subscription Service
Boy Scouts of America
National Council
North Brunswick, New Jersey, 08902

Dear Mr. Ernst:

See sent to Keller C. 118. P.F. 7/15/77
I am returning your letter regarding Patrick Weglarz and Charles F. Fugate which should be directed to Ed Jacobs, Scout Executive, Chicago Area Council. 4/11/8

While the incident occurred at a youth camp in Du Page County and Weglarz resides in a community of this council, the troop involved, of which they are the registered Scoutmaster and Assistant, belong to Chicago. I have enough problems with it as it is!

I am keeping the confidential record sheets for future reference in the hopes that I will not need them.

Be alerted to the fact that Robert DeCeasare, Advisor of Post 245 of this council, whose registration privilege we recently suspended, has asked for and been granted a review to be held soon. His stance is malicious revenge on the part of the Explorer involved over a public reprimand.

You have recently received a confidential record sheet and background material on DeCeasare from me.

Sincerely,

Walter D. Johnson
Walter D. Johnson
Scout Executive

WDJ/slb
Attach

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